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1. Several trains carrying tanks and antitank guns were seen at KOSICE (R 49/E 34). They came from the direction of CERNA NAD TISOU (R 49/E 90) and proceeded towards BOHUMIN (P 50/O 59), escorted by Czechoslovakian troops.

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2. About 30 new T34 tanks with 85-mm guns were detrained in KOSICE. Their destination was not determined.
3. The CERNA-KOSICE railroad line was heavily overburdened. Trains with material, which were given priority over passenger trains, were run with delay.

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4. Sidings were put in operation on the KOSICE-KYASK (R 49/E 25) railroad line. Such track sections were guarded by double sentries of militia.

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Comment:

It appears possible that the shipments of tank and antitank guns were Soviet deliveries to the Czechoslovakian Army. The information has not been confirmed.

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